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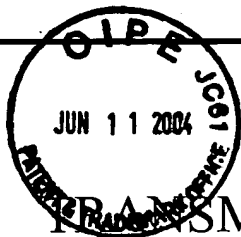

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1. Transmittal Form (1 pg);
2. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (3 pgs);
3. Form PTO-1449 (9 pgs);
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the references labeled B3-B25 and C2 are enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that each of the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, be made of record in this application.

In addition, Applicants wish to inform the Examiner about the following commonly-owned, co-pending patent applications, including all cited references and Office actions issued therein:

U.S. Serial Number	Filing Date	Inventor Name
09/733,752	December 8, 2000	Hammond et al.
09/862,270	May 22, 2001	Rioux et al.
09/935,487	August 23, 2001	Rioux et al.
09/961,129	September 21, 2001	Reever
10/397,502	March 26, 2003	Deal
10/400,200	March 26, 2003	Rioux et al.
10/424,621	April 28, 2003	Li
10/434,756	May 9, 2003	Gellman et al.

REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

- ☒ (1) within three (3) months of the **filing date** of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), or within three (3) months of the **date of entry of the national stage** as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing of the **first Office action** on the merits, or before the mailing of a **first Office action** after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114; or
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STATEMENT

As required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e), Applicant(s), through the undersigned, hereby state either that [check the appropriate space only if either (2) or (3) is checked on the previous page and the Statement is required]:

- ☐ 1. Each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application **not more than three months** prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement; or
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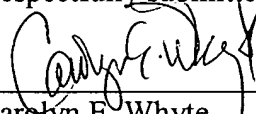
making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was known to **any individual** designated in 37 C.F.R. 1.56(c) **more than three months** prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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	A16	3,527,226	09/08/70	Hakim et al			
	A17	3,657,744	04/25/72	Ersek			
	A18	3,923,066	12/02/75	Francisoud et al.			
	A19	3,938,529	02/17/76	Gibbons			
	A20	4,154,242	05/1979	Termanini			
	A21	4,156,067	05/22/79	Gould			
	A22	4,240,434	12/23/80	Newkirk			
	A23	4,307,723	12/29/81	Finney			
	A24	4,423,725	03/03/84	Baran et al			
	A25	4,627,838	12/1986	Cross et al.			
	A26	4,655,771	04/07/87	Wallsten			
	A27	4,660,560	04/28/87	Klein			
	A28	4,713,049	12/15/87	Carter			
	A29	4,732,152	03/22/88	Wallsten et al.			
	A30	4,768,507	09/06/88	Fischell et al			
	A31	4,771,773	09/20/88	Kropf et al.			
	A32	4,813,429	03/21/89	Eshel et al.			
	A33	4,895,566	01/23/90	Lee			
	A34	4,931,037	06/05/90	Wetterman			
	A35	4,932,938	06/12/90	Goldberg et al			
	A36	4,954,126	09/04/90	Wallsten			
	A37	4,955,859	09/11/90	Zilber			
	A38	4,973,301	11/27/90	Nissenkorn			
	A39	4,990,155	02/05/91	Wilkoff			
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	A41	4,995,868	02/26/91	Brazier			
	A42	5,026,377	06/25/91	Burton et al.			
	A43	5,037,427	08/06/91	Harada et al.			
	A44	5,041,092	8/20/91	Barwick			
	A45	5,061,275	10/29/91	Wallsten et al.			
	A46	5,078,720	01/07/92	Burton et al.			
	A47	5,087,252	02/11/92	Denard			
	A48	5,116,309	05/26/92	Coll			
	A49	5,122,154	06/16/92	Rhodes			
	A50	5,147,370	09/15/92	McNamara et al.			
	A51	5,160,341	11/03/92	Brenneman et al			
	A52	5,167,614	12/01/92	Tessmann et al.			
	A53	5,176,625	01/05/93	Brisson			
	A54	5,176,626	01/05/93	Soehendra			
	A55	5,183,085	02/02/93	Timmermans			
	A56	5,195,989	03/23/93	Euteneuer			
	A57	5,217,451	06/1993	Freitas			
	A58	5,220,927	06/22/93	Astrahan et al.			
	A59	5,222,971	06/29/93	Willard et al			
	A60	5,224,953	07/06/93	Morgentaler			
	A61	5,234,456	08/10/93	Silvestrini			
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	A66	5,286,254	02/15/94	Shapland et al			
	A67	5,292,315	03/08/94	Euteneuer			
	A68	5,300,022	04/05/94	Klapper et al.			
	A69	5,304,121	04/19/94	Sahatjian			
	A70	5,316,016	05/31/94	Adams et al			
	A71	5,322,501	06/21/94	Mahmud-Durrani			
	A72	5,342,348	08/30/94	Kaplan			
	A73	5,344,395	09/06/94	Whalen et al			
	A74	5,352,198	10/4/94	Goldenberg et al.			
	A75	5,354,263	10/11/94	Coll			
	A76	5,356,423	10/18/94	Tihon et al.			
	A77	5,364,340	11/15/94	Coll			
	A78	5,372,600	12/13/94	Beyar et al.			
	A79	5,391,196	02/21/95	Devonec			
	A80	5,409,460	04/1995	Krumme			
	A81	5,419,760	05/30/95	Narciso, Jr.			
	A82	5,421,955	06/06/95	Lau et al			
	A83	5,429,634	07/04/95	Narciso, Jr.			
	A84	5,441,515	08/15/95	Khosravi et al			
	A85	5,441,516	08/15/95	Wang et al			
	A86	5,456,667	10/1995	Ham et al.			
	A87	5,464,650	11/07/95	Berg et al			
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	A90	5,514,176	05/07/96	Bosley Jr.			
	A91	5,514,669	05/07/96	Selman			
	A92	5,520,697	05/28/96	Lindenberg et al.			
	A93	5,536,242	07/16/96	Willard et al			
	A94	5,545,208	08/13/96	Wolff et al			
	A95	5,545,211	08/13/96	An et al.			
	A96	5,549,559	08/27/96	Eshel			
	A97	5,549,595	08/1996	Freitas			
	A98	5,554,181	09/10/96	Das			
	A99	5,556,413	09/17/96	Lam			
	A100	5,562,622	10/02/96	Tihon			
	A101	5,584,872	12/17/96	LaFontaine et al			
	A102	5,588,965	12/31/96	Burton et al			
	A103	5,593,403	01/14/97	Buscemi			
	A104	5,599,306	02/04/97	Klein et al			
	A105	5,601,591	02/11/97	Edwards et al			
	A106	5,609,583	03/11/97	Hakki et al.			
	A107	5,609,629	03/11/97	Fearnot et al			
	A108	5,618,299	04/08/97	Khosravi et al			
	A109	5,626,562	05/06/97	Castro			
	A110	5,653,684	08/1997	Laptewicz			
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	A114	5,676,693	10/14/97	LaFontaine			
	A115	5,702,361	12/30/97	Evans et al			
	A116	5,702,419	12/30/97	Berry et al			
	A117	5,723,003	03/03/98	Winston et al			
	A118	5,725,549	03/10/98	Lam			
	A119	5,733,303	03/31/98	Israel et al			
	A120	5,738,654	04/14/98	Tihon			
	A121	5,766,238	06/16/98	Lau et al			
	A122	5,772,668	06/30/98	Summers et al.			
	A123	5,776,142	07/07/98	Gunderson			
	A124	5,776,161	07/07/98	Globerman			
	A125	5,782,838	07/21/98	Beyar et al			
	A126	5,792,400	08/11/98	Talja et al.			
	A127	5,797,952	08/25/98	Klein			
	A128	5,817,102	10/06/98	Johnson et al.			
	A129	5,824,037	10/20/98	Bogarty et al			
	A130	5,824,038	10/20/98	Wall			
	A131	5,830,179	11/03/98	Mikus et al.			
	A132	5,833,707	11/10/98	McIntyre et al.			
	A133	5,843,103	12/01/98	Wulfman			
	A134	5,865,815	02/02/99	Tihon			
	A135	5,876,417	03/02/99	Devonec et al.			
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	A137	5,888,201	03/30/99	Stinson et al			
	A138	5,902,317	07/11/99	Kleshinski et al.			
	A139	5,902,328	05/11/99	LaFontaine et al.			
	A140	5,911,752	06/15/99	Dustrude et al			
	A141	5,916,195	06/29/99	Eshel et al.			
	A142	5,916,227	06/29/99	Keith et al.			
	A143	5,928,208	07/27/99	Chu et al.			
	A144	5,928,217	07/27/99	Mikus et al.			
	A145	5,938,670	08/17/99	Keith et al.			
	A146	5,957,929	09/28/99	Brenneman			
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	A148	5,964,744	10/12/99	Balbierz et al			
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	A150	5,976,165	11/02/99	Ball et al			
	A151	5,980,550	11/09/99	Eder et al			
	A152	6,001,117	12/14/99	Huxel et al			
	A153	6,004,328	12/21/99	Solar			
	A154	6,017,977	01/25/00	Evans et al			
	A155	6,019,779	02/01/00	Thorud et al.			
	A156	6,022,312	02/08/00	Chaussy et al.			
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	A158	6,024,763	02/15/00	Lenker et al			
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	A162	6,050,949	04/18/00	White et al			
	A163	6,066,167	05/23/00	Lau et al			
	A164	6,066,168	05/23/00	Lau et al			
	A165	6,090,103	07/18/00	Hakky et al			
	A166	6,090,115	07/18/00	Beyar et al			
	A167	6,113,594	09/05/00	Savage			
	A168	6,113,597	09/05/00	Eggers et al			
	A169	6,119,697	09/19/00	Engel et al			
	A170	6,126,667	10/03/00	Barry et al			
	A171	6,132,460	10/17/00	Thompson			
	A172	6,132,461	10/17/00	Thompson			
	A173	6,139,536	10/31/00	Mikus et al.			
	A174	6,146,416	11/14/00	Andersen et al			
	A175	6,152,919	11/28/00	Hakky			
	A176	6,156,064	12/05/00	Chouinard			
	A177	6,162,215	12/19/00	Feng			
	A178	6,162,231	12/19/00	Mikus et al			
	A179	6,165,210	12/26/00	Lau et al.			
	A180	6,174,305	01/16/01	Mikus et al			
	A181	6,176,875	01/23/01	Lenker et al			
	A182	6,179,868	01/30/01	Burpee et al.			
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	A186	6,238,430	05/29/01	Klumb et al.			
	A187	6,245,103	06/12/01	Stinson			
	A188	6,254,628	07/03/01	Wallace et al.			
	A189	6,258,115	07/10/01	Dubrui			
	A190	6,299,636	10/09/01	Schmitt et al.			
	A191	6,334,866	01/01/02	Wall			
	A192	6,355,061	03/12/02	Quiachon et al.			
	A193	6,355,070	03/12/02	Andersen et al.			
	A194	6,371,979	04/16/02	Beyar et al.			
	A195	6,494,879	12/17/02	Lennox et al.			
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